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SEVENTY PERSONS SAVED BY THE
WATARA AND OTHER VESSELS.

Rescue Will be Immediately
Made Into Circumstances of
the Disaster.

Boston, Jan. 3. The United States
cruiser Resolute, Capt. Loring, was
sunk in a collision with the steel tug
Watara in Foston harbor. The Resolute
was on her way to the Philippines and
was carrying a large number of passengers
and crew. The Watara was a small tug
boat used for harbor work. The collision
occurred at about 10 o'clock last night.
The Resolute was struck on the bow and
sank in a few minutes. The Watara was
also damaged and sank. The crew of the
Resolute were rescued by the Watara and
other vessels in the harbor. The engine
er of the Resolute is believed to be
lost.

When the Resolute left her berth on
Atlantic avenue on her regular trip to
Fort Warren, there were known to be
persons on board, including the
crew. Those rescued were as follows:
Capt. Brown, 7th artillery, stationed
at Fort Warren.
Lieut. Smith, 4th artillery.
Mrs. and Miss Hatch.
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PUSHING FINANCIAL ILL.

DEBATE BEGINS ON THURSDAY.

HOUSE HAS A BIT OF A FLURRY
OVER SULZER RESOLUTION.

Many Important Bills and Measures
Introduced—Two Potentially
Resolute.

Washington, Jan. 3. The Senate
convinced a disposition today to take up
the work of the session in earnest and
while the sitting was of only a little
more than an hour's duration, a large
number of important bills were intro-
duced and a definite foundation laid
for proceeding with the financial bill.
The hour for the beginning of the se-
ssion on this measure was fixed for 2
o'clock tomorrow. The most notable
event of the day was an objection
entered by Mr. Hoar of Massachusetts to
the summary disposition of resolutions
asking for information about the con-
duct of the Philippine war. He in-
dicated a purpose to demand considera-
tion for such measures even at the ex-
pense of the financial bills. The tenth
instant was named as the day for the
delivery of eulogies in memory of Vice
President Hobart.

WENT OVER UNDER OBJECTION.

Washington, Jan. 3. Senator Pett-
grew today offered the following reso-
lution which went over under objec-
tion.

"Resolved, That the secretary of war,
and he is hereby directed to inform
the Senate whether Gen. Torres, one
of the officers of the Philippine army,
came to Gen. Otis with a flag of truce
on Feb. 5, 1899, the day after the fight-
ing commenced between our forces and
those of Aguinaldo, and stated to Gen.
Otis that Aguinaldo declared that the
fighting had begun accidentally and
that Aguinaldo wished to have it con-
cluded, and that to bring about a con-
clusion of hostilities he proposed the es-
tablishment of a neutral zone between
the two armies of a width that would
be agreeable to Gen. Otis, so that dur-
ing the peace negotiations there might
be no further danger of conflict be-
tween the two armies, and whether Gen.
Otis replied that fighting having once
begun, must go on to the grim end.
Was Gen. Otis directed by the secre-
tary of war to make such answer? Did
Gen. Otis telegraph the secretary of
war on Feb. 9, 1899, as follows:

"Aguinaldo now applies for a cessa-
tion of hostilities and conference; have
declined to answer." And did Gen. Otis
afterwards reply that he was directed
by the secretary of war? And what
answer, if any, did he or the secretary
of war make to the application to
cease fighting?"

INTRODUCED IN THE SENATE.

Washington, Jan. 3. Following are
the more important bills introduced
in the Senate today:

By Mr. Ross, regulating the appoint-
ment to civil offices in the outgoing
department.

It provides for appointments to such
places regardless of political affiliations
and without sectional favoritism and
for removal only upon written charges.
No examination is required for ap-
pointment.

By Mr. Lodge, authorizing an investi-
gation of the economic relations of
the United States with China and the
Orient generally by a commission to be
appointed by the President who is to
fix its number and also the compensa-
tion of its members.

By Mr. Perkins, providing a fund for
the pensioning of members of the life
saving and revenue cutter service and
also providing for compensation of per-
sons injured while employed in the
government civil service.

CLAIMS AGAINST SPAIN.

Washington, Jan. 3. The Senate
committee on foreign relations today
presented a report upon Senator Hoar's
resolution in regard to claims of citi-
zens of the United States against Spain.
The committee gave a schedule of
claims amounting to over a million dol-
lars and added:

"It is impracticable to state even
approximately the amount actually due
on these claims or to allege in view of
the state of records of the state de-
partment of that date that there may
not be others than those mentioned."
As to the remedy of the claimants
the committee expressed the opinion
that the only present remedy was by
diplomatic negotiation.

CONSIDERED PENDING QUESTIONS

Washington, Jan. 3. The Senate
committee on foreign relations met today
and considered a number of pending
questions. The bill of Senator Cullom
providing a territorial government for
Hawaii was one of the principal topics
discussed. The sub-committee which
has the subject under consideration
was not ready to report but it was
announced that another meeting would
be held soon, when the bill would be
reported to the committee.

GOVERNMENT FOR PORTO RICO.

Washington, Jan. 3. Senator Foraker
today introduced a bill providing a
form of government for Porto Rico.
The bill provides for the continuance
of the laws and municipal ordinances
now in force in the island until the leg-
islature provided for shall supplant
them. The President is empowered to
appoint a governor and a supreme
court and also seven heads of depart-
ments to have charge of the various
interests of the government, and also
five native citizens, who, together with
the governor and heads of departments
are to constitute the upper branch of
the insular legislature. The lower house
of 25 members, to be elected by citizens
of the island is also provided for and

SCHOONER ASHORE

THE S. P. HITCHCOCK, OF BATH,
STUCK OFF LONG ISLAND.

WASHED BY RAGING SURF.

EVERY MAN ABOARD SAVED WITH
FEECHES LUCK.

Life Saving Crew Work Heroically in
Freezing Wind—Vessel Will Prob-
ably Be a Total Loss.

New York, Jan. 3. The three-masted
schooner S. P. Hitchcock of Bath,
Me., 11 days out from Brunswick, Ga.,
ran ashore at 3 A. M. today off Mor-
iches, L. I., and stuck hard and fast in
the boiling surf that washed her from
deck to trucks. She gave the life-
saving crews along the Long Island
shore the struggle of the winter, but
every man aboard, including Capt. So-
lorensen, was saved by hard work with
the breeches buoy after hours of toil
in the freezing wind that swept in from
sea.

The pilotboat made out the strand-
ed schooner through the spray long
before dawn and in a few minutes the
Moriches life-saving crew was down on
the beach. At the second shot the life
line was fired over the battered craft.
Her men made the line fast, but in
such a way that it could not be worked
from shore. When day broke, the
schooner, was in danger of breaking
up, and yet the line could not be
worked. Help was summoned from
the crews of Forge River and Petunk
and Whig-wagging and signalling by
the international code was tried, but to no
use. The crew did not understand.
Every sea breacher over the doomed
vessel and the men had taken refuge
in the rigging at 10 A. M. Those
ashore could see the men working des-
perately over the line and at last they
cleared it and made it fast to the mast-
head after seven hours' struggling.
Then the big hawser was run out with
the breeches buoy affixed. It spanned
the 400 yards of raging surf. In a
twinkling, there was a man in the buoy
which dangled at the schooner's mast-
head 30 feet in the air. At 100 yards
from shore the rig in the line touched
the water and the man and the buoy
were submerged in the tumbling seas.
When they pulled the man ashore he
had drowned from his stay under the
water.

One by one his mates, eight of them,
had to go through the same terrible
experience in the roaring, boiling surf
and some were almost gone when taken
ashore after their night of exposure
and their submergence when the buoy
took them a-bore.

The vessel will likely be a total loss.
Tonight she lay head on with her hold
full of water, while the seas tumbled
high over her.

CONSPIRACY TRIAL ENDS.

Nationalist Organs Describe the Re-
sult as a Fiasco for the French
Government.

Paris, Jan. 3. The conspiracy trial
before the senate sitting as the high
court came to an end today, except for
the sentences in the cases of those con-
victed. Out of the 75 alleged conspirators
who were thrown into prison five
months ago and who have been since
released in batches owing to want of
evidence, only MM. DeRouville, Guerin
and Buffet have been found guilty;
and these three are accorded "extenuat-
ing circumstances," which reduces
their punishment to detention in a
fortress or banishment. It is under-
stood that the sentence will vary be-
tween five and 10 years' detention.
President Loubet may extend pardons
in accordance with the Berenger law
in favor of first offenders.

Strong precautionary measures were
taken today in the vicinity of the sen-
ate house, but there was no sign of
disorder anywhere when the judgments
were rendered.

All the nationalist organs describe
the result of the trial as a fiasco for
the government after the flourish of
trumpets with which it announced the
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FORTY MEN SET FREE.

Havana, Jan. 3. Today Gen. Wood
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dom to 40 men in the province of San-
ta Clara. Some of them had been de-
tained without trial; others were suf-
fering excessive punishment. All had
been released ten months ago by an
order issued by Gen. Batés; but they
were immediately re-arrested from
provisional headquarters on the ground that
a department commander did not have
the power to pardon.

After looking carefully into the
cases Gen. Wood decided that the judg-
ment of Gen. Batés regarding their re-
lease was wise, and consequently to-
day's order setting them at liberty
was pronounced.

Reports from other departments are
daily expected and it is believed that
before the end of the month a large
number will be released, especially in
the province of Havana. The cases of
those who have been held for a long
time in detention without trial will be

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THE LOCAL NEWS.

Mrs. Charles Woodman entertains Kindergarten Club and a few of the Mothers' Club from 8 to 10 Thursday evening, to meet Miss Margaret Morley.

B. H. Beale, Post 12, G. A. R., will install its officers on Thursday evening; a large attendance of members is expected. Supper will be served after which an entertainment will be given.

Frederic Mason, formerly of the Evening Express, later of the now defunct Portland Courier, is at the Penobscot Exchange for a few days. Mr. Mason is investigating some real estate for Portland parties and incidentally looking after the interests of the Maine Central monthly.

The ice companies that intend to harvest a crop of the frozen product from the Penobscot river this winter have started operations. The field in front of the Rollins ice house in Brewer, near the ferry slip, is being scraped and the house is being put in shape to receive the cut. The ice in the river is in prime condition, being free from anchor ice and about ten inches thick. The Rollins house is of about 14,000 tons capacity, and will be filled on contract. The other ice houses along the river, which are controlled by the American Ice Co., are nearly full now, on account of the light year in the trade, but those that have any room will be filled to their full capacity in the hope of a good season next summer. The Boston & Bangor S. S. Co. will cut 800 tons for their own use, and the local ice companies which supply the Bangor trade will cut the usual amount. The outlook for a big crop on the Penobscot is not at present exactly what the ice men call good, but there may be developments later on which will justify a larger cut.

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At all times you can find beautiful things for gifts at P. H. Vose & Co's.

For bad coughs and colds try Sweet's White Pine Balsam.

Buckley & Preble are agents for flowers from Moss' conservatories at Bucksport.

The Libby prize cattle will be cut up at Fickett's market on Saturday. Leave your orders early.

CHARGED WITH EMBEZZLEMENT.
Worcester, Mass., Jan. 3. George J. Whittier, superintendent of Station A of the local postoffice, was arrested here today by United States Marshal Walters and Postmaster Inspector Swift on a charge of embezzlement. He was brought before United States Commissioner Dresser and held in \$200 for his appearance at the session of the United States district court in Boston, March 20. Whittier was allowed his liberty early in the day and he spent much of his time in looking for a bondsman. He finally secured G. Henry Whitcomb, the envelope manufacturer and was bailed immediately after the hearing. He admits the shortage in his accounts but says that he cannot explain where the money has gone to. In an interview he said: "The only way I can account for the missing money is that some mistakes must have been made in the accounts of the office by myself and the employees. I have known that money was disappearing for more than a year and sometimes made up the deficit out of my own pocket."

This story apparently does not have much weight with the postal officials as they think that if he knew the deficit existed for such time, he should have reported it.

Whittier has been discharged from the service by Postmaster F. Everts Greene. He is bonded by the Fidelity Trust Company, of Baltimore, for \$3,000.

DEPOSITIONS PRESENTED.
St. John, N. B., Jan. 3. United States District Attorney Dyer appeared before Judge Forbes this afternoon and presented depositions of the schooner J. B. VanDusen's crew taken at Portland, Me., as to the killing of Captain George Balesby by Elmer Maxwell, in support of an application for Maxwell's extradition. Maxwell's delivery to American authorities is asked for on the ground that the crime committed on an American vessel while on the high sea and therefore on American territory, that if the vessel was in Canadian waters she was still American territory and under American jurisdiction. Maxwell's counsel will oppose extradition on the ground that there is no evidence the vessel was on the high sea and the crown has jurisdiction over crimes on Canadian waters. An adjournment was made until tomorrow when the deposition will be read.

STEAMER FOUNDERED.
London, Jan. 4. A despatch from Bristol announces that the British steamer Boreas, of Glasgow, foundered off Cape Finisterre last Friday during a hurricane. Twenty-two of the crew were drowned.

The survivors, nine in number, have just arrived at Bristol.

NOT CONFIRMED.

NO NEWS OF THE BOER ATTACK ON MOLTENO.

SHELLING OF LADYSMITH LIVELY

GEN. FRENCH LIKELY TO CONCENTRATE COMMAND AT DEBAR.

Eight Additional British Regiments Called Out—More Canadians Will Go.

London, Jan. 4, 4.30 A. M. There is a complete absence of anything new from the seat of war. The report of the Boer attack upon Moltengo is not yet confirmed. Apparently Gen. French holds nothing within five miles of Colenso junction. His request for reinforcements dispels any present hope that he will be able to secure one of the crossings of the Orange river.

It is probable that when Lord Roberts arrives Gen. French will be ordered to quit the present unsupported position and to concentrate his command at DeBar or Orange River. As the Daily Telegraph says, Gen. French "seems to be in a position of a man having a tiger cut in a trap and unable to kill it for want of a stick."

A despatch from Dover farm announces that Lieut. Col. Pilcher has returned there safely from Douglas.

Since Commandant General Joubert's return to the front the cannonade of Ladysmith by the Boers has been much livelier. Between Dec. 18 and Dec. 29 four shells killed one officer and 13 men and wounded 13 officers and 11 men.

The war office acknowledges the inferiority of the regular artillery by authorizing the equipment of the new battery attached to the London volunteer corps with Vickers and Maxim's, some of which the Boers use, and by ordering one hundred of these 12½ pounder quick firers built immediately.

The officers and men of the new artillery will be supplied from the Honorable Artillery Company.

Eight additional militia regiments have been called out. Seven of these will serve in Ireland, replacing the regiments sent to South Africa.

The Hon. Sidney Robert Greville, enquire to the Prince of Wales, has obtained the Prince's commission to go to the front. Recently he has been acting as Lord Salisbury's secretary, instead of Mr. Schomburgk McDonnell, who has gone to South Africa.

Among the announcements of those who volunteered yesterday appear the names of a hundred or more sons of gentlemen. Many of these are Scotch. The papers comment on the fact that in view of the state of public opinion, it is much easier to go to war than to stay at the clubs.

All parts of England and Scotland report lively volunteering, a leading feature being the great sums raised by private subscriptions for volunteer equipment. Some of the counties have given sums as high as £20,000. It is computed that the provinces have already raised nearly £600,000, while London is raising £120,000 for the city corps.

SHELLING AT KIMBERLEY.
Kimberley, Dec. 26. The Boers last night evinced considerable interest in the Premier mine, using their searchlights this morning they actively shelled the fort. The royal artillery replied. Our shells were well placed and dropped amid the smoke of the enemy's guns.

Last night's storm ignited some of the British military mines but there were no casualties.

Mr. Cecil Rhodes has applied the Boer prisoners with new clothing.

IS ONLY THE FIRST STEP.
London, Jan. 3. From a source which has many facilities for gaining inside news from South Africa, a representative of the Associated Press learns that Col. Pilcher's occupation of Douglas is regarded as merely the first step of Gen. Methuen's carefully matured plans to outflank the Boers. According to this authority it is probable that Col. Pilcher, in conjunction with Gen. Bullington's forces from the Modder River, will proceed to the rear of these intrenchments which now prevent Gen. Methuen from proceeding to Kimberley. Col. Pilcher has only about 40 miles travel before he achieves this end, and if this is the standard is correct, an attack by Gen. Methuen and a determined effort to relieve Kimberley may be expected any day.

MORE CANADIANS WILL GO.
Halifax, N. S., Jan. 3. The militia authorities received instructions today to mobilize the second Canadian military contingent for South Africa at once.

It had been intended to begin concentration next week, but rush orders have been issued and the first of the mounted rifles will arrive Saturday. Fifty up of the transports, Laurentian and Montezuma, is proceeding night and day. The Laurentian will take the cavalry, the Montezuma the mounted rifles, and the Pomeranian, due on Saturday from New York, will embark the artillery.

CANADA CONGRATULATED.
Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 3. Lord Minto, the governor general, received the following cablegram today: "London, Jan. 3. Congratulate Canada on gallant behavior of contingent engaged at Sunnyside." (Signed) Chamberlain."

TO ACCOMPANY BOER ARMY.
Washington, Jan. 3. Capt. Carl Reichmann of the 11th cavalry and assistant adjutant general of volunteers, has been detailed by the secretary of war to accompany the Boer army in the war in South Africa.

THE FINANCIAL SITUATION.
London, Jan. 3. The financial situation is considered much more hopeful on the general understanding that the bank rates will not be raised to-

morrow, nor according to general expectation is it likely to be raised in the near future.

It is learned by a representative of the Associated Press that the only gold draft to be met at present is £500,000 to the Boer Republic, which is believed to be fully offset by importations from the United States and other countries. Liquidations continue to decrease and the feeling towards American securities has improved, especially in the case of copper stocks. The better news ground the United States will reap large profits from Great Britain's war. Government bills are somewhat weak on account of rumors of a new war loan.

PRESCQUE ISLE NEWS.

New Years Ball a Grand Affair—The Cold Snap Strikes Town—Personal Notes.

(Special to Whig and Courier.)
Presque Isle, Me., Jan. 3. Monday, New Year's day, was the coldest day we have had this winter, the mercury falling to 23 degrees below zero. Nobody was prepared for this sudden freeze and many of the storekeepers lost vegetables, etc., and the plumbers were kept busy all day fixing broken pipes. Towards night it moderated and a snow storm came upon us which lasted till morning.

Mr. Bart Hyson, formerly of this place but now of Houlton, came up Monday to play with Palmer's orchestra for the firemen's New Year's ball.

Clint Estabrook returned to Philadelphia Tuesday to resume his studies at the dental college, after spending his Christmas vacation with his parents.

FIREMEN'S NEW YEAR'S BALL.
The New Year's ball held in Perry's opera house Monday night for the benefit of the firemen, was a grand success. Over 350 tickets were sold, each ticket admitting one person to the concert and dance and entitled him to one chance on the capital prize of \$25, and 50 other prizes. The concert opened with the overture "Bridal Rose" by Palmer's orchestra of nine pieces. This was the first concert by the orchestra this winter and collected great credit on the performers. Next was a bass solo by Rev. Cecil Deane with an encore, each number pleasing the audience greatly. Selection by the orchestra, duet, "O Moment That I Bles," by Dennee, J. P. and R. F. Davis; opella, "Jimmie, the Newboy," Master Frank and J. P. Davis.

After the concert, Mr. Leon Howe, with the assistance of two members of the hose company, proceeded to the drawing of the prizes. The capital prize of \$25 was drawn by Mrs. Herbert Clark. After the prizes had all been drawn the floor was cleared and the orchestra struck up the grand march, in which there were all who could conveniently get on the floor. Dancing kept up till intermission at 12 o'clock, when all repaired to the Presque Isle Hotel and enjoyed a turkey supper prepared by Landolf Perry. After supper dancing was resumed. All vote this the most enjoyable event of the kind which has been held here this season.

Mr. Ray Gates returned to Augusta yesterday to resume his studies at Shaw's Business college, after visiting friends in town.

Miss Mary Collins left Tuesday morning for Portland, where she will stay this winter to pursue her study of music.

The schools will remain closed another four weeks, there being some new cases of scarlet fever.

Among the out of town people who registered at the Presque Isle House and attended the firemen's ball were: Harry Ordway and wife, E. H. Orcutt, E. G. Dunn, Jr., E. G. Howard, J. Woodside, Loane, W. W. Loane, Mrs. F. G. Webster, Mrs. Wheeler, D. E. Orcutt, S. R. Frost, Miss Hewes, J. A. Smith, Ben. Willis, Ed. F. Daniels of Ashland; Jos. Steward and Jas. A. Treat of Bangor; W. E. Davis, W. B. Gregory of Carleton, and M. A. Dudley of Mapleton; E. W. Rowe and lady, P. A. Greenlaw and lady, Masardis. Others from nearer points came to the dance and returned home immediately after it was over.

Mr. George Gosline returned to Boston Wednesday, after visiting friends in town.

FIRST DINNER AT WHITE HOUSE.
Washington, Jan. 3. The first of the formal dinners of the social season at the White House was given by President and Mrs. McKinley tonight, the members of the cabinet and their wives being the guests of honor. Invited to meet them were members of the Senate and House and a few other persons. The east room and other public portions of the house were decorated for the occasion. The Marine band furnished the music. Covers were laid for over 70 persons, including the following: The President and Mrs. McKinley, Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Secretary and Mrs. Gage, Secretary and Mrs. Root, the Attorney General, Postmaster General and Mrs. Henderson, Senator Allison, Senator and Mrs. Foraker, Senator Hale, Senator and Mrs. Chandler, Senator and Mrs. Platt (Conn.), Senator and Mrs. Hawley, Representatives and Mrs. Payne, Representative Richardson.

JEFFRIES CHALLENGES SHARKEY.
Hot Springs, Ark., Jan. 3. Tom Sharkey tonight received a challenge from James J. Jeffries to fight twenty rounds within 40 days, the winner to take all, provided Tom O'Rourke is excluded from Sharkey's corner. Sharkey said he was glad of an opportunity to fight Jeffries, who he terms stated, but would insist that George Siler should not referee the fight.

HOULTON NEWS.

Two Fires in Town—Banquet to Hon. F. A. Powers at Snell House—Notes.

(Special to Whig and Courier.)
Houlton, Me., Jan. 3. Houlton has safely passed the greater part of the past year without disastrous fires but during the last two weeks owing to the extremely cold weather and the increased necessity of keeping fires, the average for the year has been maintained. Last week an explosion of an oil stove in Dr. Garrison's dental laboratory was the cause of the first of the proverbial three successive fires. Little damage was done by the fire in this instance but considerable damage was done by water. Dr. Garrison is again getting settled but has been obliged to repossess his office which he has done in a very tasty manner. The next fire occurring at about 12 o'clock on Monday, Jan. 1, was in the Pioneer block and its origin was a stove in the room of the Shaw Business College on the second floor, and as the school was in vacation the fire was not discovered until considerable headway had been gained. The prompt and efficient services of the fire department saved the building from further damage after the blaze was discovered. The third fire was in the basement of the Putnam block on the corner of Union and Market squares and was the most dangerous of the three, occurring about four o'clock in the morning after the firemen's ball. It was with difficulty subdued as it was some time before a stream of water was on the scene. It started from a stove in the restaurant of J. Wise. The loss is estimated at about \$1,000.

Dr. T. J. Fitzmaurice, who for the past twenty-two years has made his home at the Hotel Exchange, has made a change and is now at the Snell House.

George A. Gorham, Jr., of the law firm of Wilson & Gorham, has opened an office in the Merritt, brick block where he will conduct a law business for himself. Mr. Gorham's health made it necessary for the former partnership to be dissolved.

The members of the Aroostook bar will give a banquet at the Snell House Thursday evening, Jan. 4th, in honor of Hon. Frederick A. Powers, who has recently been appointed associate justice of the supreme judicial court.

TO STRAIGHTEN THE TANGLE.
Boston, Jan. 3. Mayor Hart called several political leaders into consultation with him today in an endeavor to form some plan for straightening out the tangle in the common council caused by Daniel J. Kelley's alleged usurpation of the presidency on Monday.

This afternoon Mr. Kiley and city messenger Leary called upon the police commissioners by appointment. They told the police officials that trouble might be expected if an imposing number of policemen were not in sight. After the hearing the commissioners directed that a detail of twenty under Deputy Superintendent Pierce be sent to the council chamber.

Among the suggestions made today it is understood that the mayor directs the city messenger to close the city hall tomorrow evening and allow no one to enter and to also order the common council chamber closed. The city messenger is the custodian of the hall and is subject to orders from the mayor. While the ordinances provide that the council chamber and the auditorium shall be under the control of the president of the council, those who suggest that the city messenger close it tomorrow night maintain that the body is now without a president.

BRAZILIAN AFFAIRS.
Rio Janeiro, Jan. 3. Admiral Wandenkolk has been named chief of staff of the navy in place of Admiral Barreto, who has resigned. Other changes have been made.

The iron clad Riachuelo, the cruiser Barroso and the torpedo boat Tamoyo and Tamandare are getting ready to accompany President Campos Sales to the Argentine Republic in March.

The elections have been favorable to the government throughout the country. Senor Bocayuva has been re-elected senator. There was serious trouble at Pernambuco due to the rigorous measures adopted by the state government against the opposition.

The president will reside during the summer at Petropolis.

Several of the foreign ministers have protested against the differential duties.

TO FORECLOSE MORTGAGE.
Detroit, Mich., Jan. 3. A bill was filed today in the U. S. circuit court here by the Mercantile Trust Company, of New York, as trustee, to foreclose the senior mortgage on the Chicago and Grand Trunk Railway Company of the principal of the bonded debt of the company which was issued in 1892.

Jan. 3. R. W. McLaughlin and Henry B. Joy of this city have been appointed as receivers of the road, which extends from Port Huron to Chicago. The first mortgage was made 20 years ago. A second mortgage also for \$5,000,000 was placed on the property two years later.

A GIFT TO ST. PAUL'S.
New York, Jan. 3. The World tomorrow will announce that Gen. R. Sheldon and his brother, Wall Street brokers, have given \$100,000 to St. Paul's school at Concord, N. H.

The announcement of this gift, the World will say, was made at a meeting of the alumni association of that institution held Wednesday night.

STORE BURNED AT PRINCETON.
Calais, Me., Jan. 3. The general merchandise store of F. Mercer & Son at Princeton was burned this afternoon causing a loss of from \$9000 to \$9500. Partially covered by insurance. The fire originated from a defective chimney.

ASTOR CONTRIBUTES.
London, Jan. 3. Mr. William Waldorf Astor contributed \$1000 to the Prince of Wales hospital fund.

THE CUMBERLAND.

At anchor in Hampton Roads we lay On board of the Cumberland, sleep-of-war, And at times from the fortress across The alarm of drums swept past Or a bugle blast From the camp on the shore.

Then far away to the south up rose A little feather of snow white smoke, And we knew that the iron ship of our foes Was steadily steering its course To try the force Of our ribs of oak.

Down upon us heavily rained, Silent and sullen, the floating fort; Then comes a puff of smoke from her guns And lo! the terrible death, With fiery breath, From each open port.

We are not idle, but send her straight Defiant back in a full broadside! As hail rebounds from a roof of slate Rebounds our heavier hail From each iron scale Of the monster's hide.

"Strike your flag!" the rebel cries In his arrogant old plantation strain. "Never!" our gallant Meritt replies. "It is better to sink than to yield!" And the whole air pealed With the cheers of our men.

Then like a broken huge and black She crushed our ribs in her iron grasp. Down went the Cumberland all a wrack, With a sudden shudder of death And the cannon's breath For her dying gasp.

Next morn, as the sun rose over the bay, Bull floated our flag at the mainmast head. Lord how beautiful was thy day! Every wave and the most daring soul Was a whisper of prayer Or a dirge for the dead.

Ho, brave hearts that went down in the sea! Ye are at peace in the troubled stream. Ho, brave land, with hearts like these, Thy flag, that is rent in twain, Shall be raised again And without a seam! —Longfellow.

"FILLED" BEDCLOTHES.

They Are Moisture Attractors, and Death Lurks In Them.

Science, its name is adulteration. Another terror has been added to existence by the revelations made by a trade paper of the processes by which certain manufacturers "fill" the sheets and blankets with which they flood the market.

We are told that after a piece of waste sheeting has been woven the cloth is passed over a trough containing a solution of zinc sulphate of ammonia (commonly known as epsom salts) and water. This is called a sprinkler. A revolving brush plays a spray of these noxious ingredients upon the cloth, with the result that a 60 pound piece after the operation weighs 7½ pounds more than when it left the loom. As the goods are sold by the pound, the object is evident.

But what about the purchaser? A piece cuts up into ten pairs of sheets. Each pair therefore contains three-quarters of a pound of moisture attracting material. The results are appalling. As soon as a wet day comes the sheets become damp and the luckless wight who sleeps between them is apt to contract a chill that may send him to the hospital or even to the grave.

Even if his suspicions are aroused and he boldly exits aside the sheets and wraps himself in the blankets it may avail him nothing, for the blankets makers have learned the trick, and the same ill results may ensue.

Next we shall hear that the counterpane makers are equally astute, and the third sheet may be driven to provide himself with the woolen sleeping bags that suggest travels in the farthest north. The only advantage of these "filled" or heavily "sized" sheets and blankets is that they are death to insects, but if the pulchritude—to say nothing of the cinder incalculable—what boots it?—London Telegraph.

A Financial Embarrassment.
A lady who had a kindly remembrance for all her domestic servants met an erstwhile washerwoman and stopped to ask her how she fared.

"Oh, mem, it's terrible financial distress me on the children's in!"

"Why, what is it—do you out of employment?"

"No, mem, I work in a fair state of guidance, but not a cent I owe, but it's a shame of trouble I've got!"

"Are you not paid promptly?"

"As promptly as the day comes round."

"What is your financial distress, then?"

"Well, mem" (in a burst of horror), "what's killin me is, I earn \$6 the week an pay \$5 for me board, an God only knows how I do it!" —Short Stories.

Antique.
Says a dealer in antiquities: "I had a fat woman in here the other day. Well, sir, she was a caution, was that fat woman. She would have the antique all through her house, all nothing but the antique for her house decoration. Why, sir, judging by what that fat woman said and bought in this shop, I should judge she was heartbroken, sir, that she couldn't get the shades of her ancestors for her parlor windows." —New York Tribune.

Converted.
Marie—In Grace as food of sports as she was? Stella—No, not since she married one.—Brooklyn Life.

Snobs in high places assume great airs and are pretentious in all they do, and the higher the elevation the more conspicuous is the incongruity of their position. —Samuel Smiles.

Newfoundland is remarkable for its lakes and pools. They are of all sizes, shapes and depths, from tiny pools to immense sheets of water over 50 miles in length.

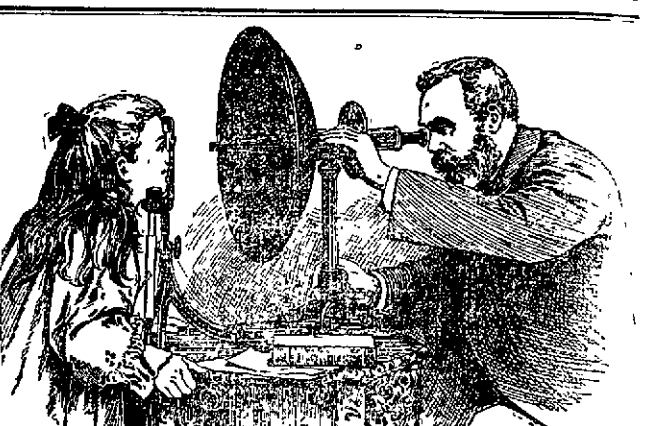
One Walter's Income.
Two handsome gentlemen passed by, striking their heels on the brick roof. "The larger man is the keeper of the vineyard," said Joe, the writer. "The thin one is dark and serious, is the steward." They looked very important.

"Well, Joe, I suppose some day you will be steward?" "I would not wonder," responded Walter, "I would not wonder if you would be steward of me." —Black and White.

English Suburban Homes.
In the United States you are far ahead of England in respect to new suburban homes. Whatever may be the fault of the imitations of Richardson—American greatest architect—or even of the queer gabled and varnished villas which for some insupportable reason

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Thursday... The Sign of the Cross
Friday... The Sign of the Cross
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mitted to dine at the hotel free of cost. They average in tips \$5 a day, which, with salary, gives them an income of \$175 a month. Their daily expenses for dress, etc., for they must look neat and stylish—are about \$150. —New York Press.

The Boy and His Cap.
"I can't find my cap anywhere," is a sentence more or less familiar in the household, that being what the boy says, looking for his cap, when he wants to go out to play. Early in the search he consults his mother, and that may make a serious business of it. She has to drop her dusting or whatever household work she may be engaged in, and the search may take a long time.

"Where did you put it when you came in?" is a question sure to be asked sooner or later, but all the boy can answer is: "I don't know."

And then the search goes on everywhere, over and under, in all sorts of places, all at a great loss of time, if not of temper. It is found at last, as most things are in time, and in some simple, easy place, which makes the finding of it all the more exasperating.

The boy takes it and goes out to play and straightaway forgets all about it; but it may take quite a little time to restore the normal calm in the house.

It is a mystery how the boy manages to lose his cap as often as he does, but it appears to be a boy's way, and common to almost all. —New York Sun.

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THE LOCAL NEWS.

The Schumann club study class will meet with Miss Sibley at the Lowder this forenoon at 10 o'clock.

The course of lectures to be given by Bowdoin college professors is now an assured fact. Dates will be arranged shortly.

Superintendent W. W. Stetson, he with the record of 327 addresses in the year 1899, is arranging the dates for this year's meetings.

The fish and game commissioners have appointed a hearing to be held in Newport, at the Shaw House, on Monday, January 8, on the petition for closing Sebasticook lake to ice fishing.

The regular meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be held in the Y. M. C. A. parlor on Thursday at 8 o'clock. It is hoped that all members will be present.

Rev. S. O. Whitcomb of Bangor, state missionary, will hold services at Free Baptist church in Ellsworth next Sunday at 2 and 7 P. M. Mr. Whitcomb will probably remain some time in that vicinity working in the interests of the quarterly meeting.

The next meeting of the governor and council will be held on the 31st day of January, which falls on Wednesday, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. At that time the candidates appointed to the office of liquor commissioner, an inspector of prisons and jails, and one or two other state officers will be confirmed, their appointment being made about a week previous to the meeting.

People with tender throats are found these days and they can be told by the way they wear their coat collars or their scarfs about their throats. Some can bear any amount of cold on their throats and never catch cold, while others at the slightest provocation will have a bad trouble. To the man with the tender throat it looks suicidal to see the other class walking about in a cold, blustering day with a low collar and with every gust of wind striking the sensitive spot. The tough throated class say it is through the practice of covering the throat that the inability to stand the cold comes, and say they, too, could make tender throats by wrapping theirs up.

At the steam mill at Ellsworth Falls quite an amount of business is anticipated in the spool wood line. Mr. Pierce has some 300 cords cut already on township 14 and will employ all the teams he can get hauling. Last year he had 35 teams but this winter a much larger amount of work will be done. George Davis of Falls Village has a crew at work on the same township, also the firm of Messrs. Whitcomb, Haynes & Co. of Ellsworth Falls. The outlook is that there will be a great demand for all kinds of lumber next year, and as a result nearly everyone who has ever engaged in lumber business in that section will do so this winter.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Peckham, who reside at 16 Maple street, had a very unusual but painful experience one of the cold days of last week. While playing across the street from her home she accidentally got her tongue in contact with an iron post, and when she attempted to get away, the member refused to give up its newly-formed acquaintance, which caused the little girl to howl with pain. Her cries were heard by a nearby neighbor who came out with some warm water and quickly released the agonized victim from her unpleasant position.

Residents of Surry are happy as well as busy now, for the head of the river is frozen and the smelting business began Saturday. The news spread about that smelts had appeared in the bay, and those who were in readiness made quite a catch and several shipments were made. Others employed themselves in getting their tents on the ice.

DOCTOR'S PROPHECY.

About Grape Nuts.

Dr. J. H. Hanford, one of the oldest physicians in Reading, Mass., says in the Practical Age: "I firmly believe that Mr. Post has rendered a greater service to humanity than any other man living, in the matter of food. He claims, with propriety, I think, that his new food, Grape-Nuts, made from the most nourishing elements of the grains, contains nourishment in one pound equal to ten of meat, wheat, oats or bread.

From the acquaintance that I have had with this unusually nutritious article, I am satisfied the statement is truthful to believe the food will effect considerable of a revolution in society, to the extent that it is introduced.

This was written by Dr. Hanford several months ago. The rapid spread of the use of Grape-Nuts all over the country has demonstrated that the doctor's prophecy is being fulfilled.

All first class grocers furnish Grape Nuts, and the Postum Cereal Co. Ltd., Battle Creek, Mich. are the makers.

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EUGENE P. DONWORTH, Ward Two.

and Monday some 65 tents were located, and one of the largest catches in the history of smelting in Surry was made, more than two tons being taken. The average quantity was from 75 to 80 pounds to a man. The smelts are shipped to Boston and New York via stage to Ellsworth, and sell for from 5 to 15 cents per pound.

The funeral of William H. Palmer was held on Wednesday forenoon at 10 o'clock. Rev. E. F. Pember of the Universalist church read the service, and Asa C. Morton and Miss Merrill sang. The bearers, who were members of the A. O. U. W. and employees of the American Express Co., were Messrs. Staples, Pierce, Tuttle, Hill, Moriarty and Pagter. The remains were taken to the receiving tomb at Mt. Hope. In the spring they will be interred at Exeter.

On Wednesday afternoon one of a pair of team horses belonging to John Chalmers and driven by James Luffey, became tired while crossing the bridge and lay down directly in front of the Chapman Clothing Co.'s store. A crowd from all quarters of the city immediately gathered, and the weary animal was un hitched from the sled and, after several attempts, succeeded, with the aid of some by-standers, in getting out his feet but not until after he had rolled over several times. He was again harnessed in beside his mate and proceeded on his journey with his appearance somewhat changed by the addition of an outside suit of snow.

The position of superintendent of the Lawrence Newhall Co. at Augusta, made vacant by the resignation of G. H. Bangs, will be filled by J. E. Hanson, the former assistant of Mr. Bangs. Mr. Hanson was born in the city of Bangor 22 years ago. He attended the public schools of the city and after graduating from the high school took a course of stenography in the Bangor Business college. He then went to Augusta and entered the employ of Bangs Bros. as bookkeeper. By his patient and energetic labors he won the esteem of his employers and the respect of the men under him, and when the firm sold out to Lawrence, Newhall & Co. he was given the position of assistant superintendent. Mr. Hanson, who is generally known as "Jack," is very popular and he has numerous friends who wish him the best of success in his new position.

TO THE KLONDIKE.

A New Wire of the Postal Telegraph Cable Company to That Reg on.

An announcement has been received from headquarters by Manager P. J. Feeney of the Bangor office of the Postal Telegraph Cable Co., telling of the completion of the company's line to the Klondike. The company will now take telegrams for the following points in Alaska, British Columbia and Northwest Territory:

Glacier, Log Cabin, Middle Lake, Shes, Skagway and Summit, Alaska; Bennett, B. C.; Caribou Crossing, Dawson City, Five Fingers, Fort Selkirk, Hootaling, Lower Labarge, Miles Canon, Tagish and White Horse, N. W. T.

Messages are taken with the understanding that they go by wire to Seattle, Vancouver or Victoria and then go to Skagway by steamer, whence they go by wire again, over government lines. Messages are subject to delay as steamer service is irregular.

THE HOTEL REGISTER.

Messrs. Eugene A. Holmes, Caribou; A. R. Merrill and wife, Eddington; George Averill, Bar Harbor, and Fred H. Towne of Waterville were registered at the Penobscot Exchange Wednesday.

Messrs. J. Gilbert Warfield, agent of the E. C. Carleton Company; G. E. Smith, Harrington, and O. H. Adams and wife, Woodstock, N. B., were

among the arrivals at the Bangor Exchange on Wednesday.

The following persons were registered at the Bangor House Wednesday: J. S. Williams, Guilford; J. E. Gould, Oldtown; E. S. Higgins and F. O. Alley of Bar Harbor.

Messrs. I. B. Wood, Mattawamkeag; F. W. Parsons and T. H. B. Pierce, Dexter; H. G. Richards, Fort Fairfield; James M. Sanborn, Newport; Ira W. Davis, East Corinth, and C. F. Newcomb, East Newport, were stopping at the Windsor on Wednesday.

THE NEXT SYMPHONY.

Delightful Program Offered by Director Pullen—Mr. Andrews Will Conduct.

A most enjoyable program has been arranged by Director Pullen for the next symphony concert, which will occur at the City hall on Friday evening, beginning promptly at 7.45 o'clock.

The symphony to be rendered on this occasion is the Haydn No. 2 in D major, and it is a thoroughly delightful work in four melodious and charming movements. Besides this principal number the Schubert Overture, Rosamunde, and brilliant and pleasing light opera selections are among the offerings.

As Mr. Pullen is otherwise engaged, the concert will be conducted by Mr. M. H. Andrews, who has so long been favorably known to Bangor music lovers. Dr. Oscar E. Waggatt will be the soloist and his admirable playing will as usual be heard with great pleasure.

The seat sale indicates that a good audience will be present to enjoy the following program:

Schubert—Overture, Rosamunde.
Haydn—Symphony No. 2 in D major.
Adagio—Allegro.
Andante.
Menuetto Allegro.
Allegro Spiritoso.
Bazzini—Concerto Militaire Op. 42.
Raffé—Selections, Bohemian Girl.
Gillet—(a) Babillage.
(b) Au Moulin.
Herbert—Excerpt from the Ameer.
Soloist, Dr. O. E. Waggatt.
M. H. Andrews, conductor.

STATE ASSESSORS.

This is the Year for Fixing the Valuation of the State Once More.

This is the season for the state assessors when, to express it as they do, their work is "between hay and grass." That is, they are just finishing on last year's and at the same time preparing for the year 1900.

This year will be the one of fixing the valuation of the state once more, and along in April they will begin to equalize the valuations of the cities and towns of the state, using as a working basis the returns from the assessors of 1899 and those that will be received in April and May of this year, together with the things they learned while visiting the local assessors this year, when they met the assessors of about 350 towns, cities and plantations.

"This will be an important year in the make-up of the valuation of the wild lands," says Chairman Marshall. "We revise the entire valuation every two years, but the real work and study comes in that of the wild lands. We have to go to many sources for information as to the changes, and it is a long task. We draw from what information the land agent, possessors, together with that of all the county commissioners, who know all about their wild lands and keep an accurate account of the changes. It is at our meetings with the wild land owners, however, where we receive a vast deal of information of importance to us."

late E. B. Coe of Bangor used to be a great source of information to us, as he was so well acquainted and in touch with the wild land interests.

"Just now we can do nothing but lay out our work that will begin in April and look over our figures to refresh our memories as to the work will be easier."

The telephone number of the New York Lubricating Company is 10-4.

PLAY AND PLAYERS

UNCLE TOM'S CABIN TO BE PERFORMED HERE ON THURSDAY.

HAVE A BIS S REET PARADE.

EFFIE CARLETON COMPANY THE ATTRACTION NEXT WEEK.

"Dad in Harness," at the Noromberg, Promises to Be a Pleasing Event.

Large audiences, as usual, will doubtless be the rule at the Opera House this afternoon and evening when Stetson's big double Uncle Tom's Cabin company makes its annual appearance. A large company is carried this season which numbers about fifty people, who travel in two specially built cars. A large amount of very elaborate scenery is carried and during the performance a very fascinating cake walk is introduced, which is a great feature.

BREWER LOCAL NEWS.

Mr. Parker Spencer has gone to Clifton to visit friends for a few days.

Mr. James Dougherty, who has been very ill with typhoid fever is steadily improving.

There will be an installation followed by a supper Friday evening by the Degree of Honor in their hall.

Mr. Bert Clary has recovered from his recent illness and is able to resume his duties in A. G. Ray's store.

Miss Grace Bramhall, the popular pianist played the wedding march at the Hussey-Washburn wedding Monday evening.

The regular meeting of the L. B. club took place Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. James Osgood on Center street.

The installation of the newly elected officers of the Union Veterans' Union will take place in their hall next Monday evening.

Master Don Dougherty has recovered from his recent slight illness. Not

MEMBERS OF BREWER CITY GOVERNMENT.



M. E. FARRINGTON, Alderman Ward Two.

having an attack of the fever as was at first supposed.

There will be a social dance at Pine Tree hall, Eddington Road, on the evening of January 10. Music will be furnished by Dorr's orchestra.

The Apollonia Club, which meets in the hall in the Harlow block, will have their annual election of officers next Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

Mr. Everett Green is suffering from an injury which he received sometime ago, and has returned home from Guilford where he has been employed in the woods.

Mrs. Joseph Herrick, of Eddington, wife of Game Warden Herrick, has been the guest of Mrs. Parker Spencer at her residence corner of Somerset and State streets.

The following young gentlemen have been admitted to membership in the Algonquin Club: Messrs. Frank Harding, A. A. Field, C. I. Dean, H. L. Weeks and William Tingling.

The "Chain Gang" will not have their regular meeting this week as several

of the members are on a hunting trip to Hinds' Pond, where they intend to remain during the week.

The slip at the Brewer side of the ferry is placed in a very awkward position for passengers, particularly ladies and the edge of the ice on which the slip is set is considered very unsafe.

On account of various members of the Arden Club wishing to attend the Union Library benefit dance on Tuesday evening, the club did not meet with Miss Doane but will meet Thursday evening, weather permitting.

Leslie Kelton's store is closed. Anyone wishing to buy any of the left over teas and coffees or crockery may call at Mr. Kelton's house at No. 15 Holyoke street, where tea checks and presents will be given in same as usual.

The Hook and Ladder Company will give a supper to the firemen in the Central fire station on Wednesday, January 10. This is one of a series of suppers and the usual good time and bountiful spread is looked forward to with pleasure by those who always attend.

Mr. Henry Washburn has received a handsome new stock of wall papers for 1900. He also has a fine line of left-over stock which he will sell at a discount, the paper being out of date, but good enough for those who do not follow the extremes of fashion.

Mr. Calvin M. Thomas, who has spent the holiday season with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. C. P. Thomas, on Main street, leaves today on the 1.20 train for Philadelphia to resume his studies where he is a student in the Pennsylvania Medical School.

"Dad in Harness" company, which comes to the Noromberg, this city, for three nights, commencing Monday, Jan. 8th, tells rather an amusing story concerning the ladies of Hempstead. It seems the ladies have declared their intention of building a new theatre. The mean men have promised to take up the project more than once, but it has ended in talk. The women of Hempstead say that there will be no talk with them—not much.

The only structure that resembles a playhouse in the town is Liberty Hall. In the summer it is used as a town hall, clubhouse, engine house and Baptist church. In the winter months it has been used for amateur productions of "Uncle Tom's Cabin," but now that Bill Jones, the owner of the hall, has used the stage to store his pumpkins, the women are indignant and have decided to build a real theatre. A committee waited upon Mr. Jones and demanded the immediate removal of the pumpkins, but he refused.

The last performance that was given in Liberty Hall was "East Lynne," presented by the Hempstead Women's Club and the Library Association. The town had just bought a new hook and ladder truck, and it had been stored behind the scene. While the second act was approaching a climax the municipal watering trough in front of the postoffice got afire and the Hempstead Engine Company rushed into the hall, pushed back the scenes and dragged the hook and ladder truck out. The audience had to wait to make room for the passage of the machine, and there was a great uproar.

AN INTERESTING DOCUMENT.

It is a Map Showing the Settling Land in Piscataquis and Aroostook Counties in 1860.

We were shown yesterday an interesting document, it being a "Map of the Eastern Part of Maine, Showing the Settling Land in Piscataquis and Aroostook Counties, with the Proposed Lines of Railroad to Promote the Sale and Settlement of Public Lands and Land Owned by Individuals; also Railroad Communication with the Province of New Brunswick," by Joseph Taney, C. E., Bangor, Maine, January 2, 1860.

It will be seen by the date that this was just forty years ago, and the map is not only of interest as showing the public lands, timber and settlement, then owned by the State, but also as a contribution to the railroad history of the State.

Mr. Taney was the civil engineer employed by the Aroostook Railroad Co., chartered in 1858, and an additional act in 1859, "to build from any point between Milford and Mattawamkeag to the east part of the State." The Aroostook County Railroad Co., then in embryo and not yet chartered, also proposed to run a line of road from Mattawamkeag to Fort Kent, and this was run out by Mr. Taney and delineated on his map. This road was 128 miles in length, and while reaching township 4 in the 7th next west of Patten, in a direct line from Mattawamkeag, its course thence to Fort Kent was almost identical with the survey under which the Burleighs are now building their road. The proposed Oldtown, Brownville and Katahdin Iron Works railroad, then not chartered, was also located nearly if not quite as near the B. & P. and K. I. W. railroads, the branch starting from Milo covering the same route as the present one.

From marginal notes on the map we find the following relating to the history and condition of our railroads in 1860:

"Bangor, Oldtown and Milford railroad, built in 1837, 13 miles in length and the only road east of Bangor. Penobscot railroad, from Bangor to Milford, partly graded, 15 miles, a parallel road to the B. & O. M. railroad. Oldtown and Lincoln railroad, chartered March 8, 1852, 47 miles, from Oldtown to Mattawamkeag Point, European and North American railroad, chartered 1850, 88 1/2 miles, from Bangor to Calais. Aroostook Railroad Co., chartered March 27, 1858, and additional act April 4, 1859; also a branch road 25 miles in the direction of the State lands in the county of Aroostook (company not yet organized). Aroostook County railroad, from Mattawamkeag to Fort Kent, 128 miles, not yet chartered March 27, 1858, and additional act territory. Oldtown, Brownville and Katahdin railroad from Oldtown to Willamaburg and Katahdin Iron Works, 45 miles, not yet chartered."

It is a document well worthy of preservation and perusal, although the company under, whose auspices it was prepared never materialized.

The following table gives the weather conditions as shown by the thermometer and barometer at Miller's pharmacy:

	Baro.	Therm.
	meter	thermometer.
Jan. 3, 7 A. M.	29.8	-2
10 A. M.	29.9	-2
6 P. M.	29.9	-3

At Frankfort, Ky., papers in 17 contested election cases affecting seats of house members have been filed with House Clerk Leigh. Ten of the contestants are Democrats and seven Republicans. The result of these cases will have an important effect on the contests over the governor and the lieutenant governor.

Dr. C. P. Thomas, of this city, has a number of curious relics and odd souvenirs in his office on Main street, which may be interesting to curiosity seekers. Among them is a piece of ledge, taken by the doctor's brother from the battlefield of Waterloo. Another is an old clock which was taken from a house in New York by a Mr. Sibley who was in Washington's army and when they were allowed to take plunder this man took this old clock. It is over eight feet tall and has a heavy rosewood case, and old fashioned wooden works. This clock the doctor prizes very highly as it was given him in trust by an old man who told him to keep it till he called for it. And the old gentleman has long since been dead.

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ONLY ONE CASE

Proceedings in the Supreme Court On Wednesday.

Banolph Young Against J. M. Jordan, Jr., to Recover a Sum of Money.

The only case on trial at the house on Wednesday was that of Banolph Young vs. J. M. Jordan, Jr. In this action plaintiff seeks the sum of \$245.39 for his personal services rendered defendant at his place as clerk in a hotel in the town of Exeter in the year 1892.

Defendant claims and sets up a defense of the claim of the plaintiff while the plaintiff was in his employ he appropriated from the plaintiff's bar a sum in excess of the plaintiff's claim.

Waldron, Patten & Jose for plaintiff, Crosby & Crosby & Martin for defendant.

The case was unfinished and will go to the jury on Wednesday.

THE MOOSEHEAD TELEPHONE

Preparations Going on for the Line Between Kineo and North-east Carry.

Mr. Charles A. Jenkins, who is one of the members of the Kineo and North-east Carry Telephone Co., when the city Tuesday was engaged in making arrangements for building the telephone line which it is hoped will be done this winter. The poles are gotten out and if the frost is not too deep they will be set this winter, the wiring done to be all ready to work by spring. About 500 poles will be required and Mr. William Morgan is getting them out.

The line, when completed, will be a great convenience to sportsmen and lumbermen, saving many tedious trips from the head of the lake, 15 miles, and from Chesuncook lake, a distance of over forty miles.

In case of accident or sickness requiring the immediate presence of medical or surgical assistance, the value of the service can hardly be put in dollars.

A FIERCE RUNAWAY.

On Wednesday forenoon at about 10 o'clock one of the wildest runaways which has been seen in Bangor for some time occurred in the center of the business district.

A horse belonging to Mr. Lewis Murch, and driven by one of his men, attached to a sleigh in which also was Mr. B. L. Hexter, became frightened at something in front of the postoffice and at once demolished the dashboard with his heels. After he had finished this work of destruction to his satisfaction he began to run. Mr. Hexter who was not driving, jumped out and the other man clung to the ribbons. However, he did not stay very long for when the horse reached the sidewalk clothing store he took the idea of narrowly missing a hydrant, and throwing the driver headlong. Then the beast made for Pol's corner with long jumps, and on arriving there he collided with a milk wagon, driven by Mr. Clark. The shock half stunned the team and threw Mr. Clark to the sidewalk suddenly and forcibly.

The brute, still dragging the harnessed sleigh behind him, streaked up the right-hand sidewalk of Main street scattering the pedestrians before him as he went. One lady who did not see the danger until it was almost upon her barely saved herself by a dash to the street.

The renegade animal was stopped in the vicinity of Cross street. Not was hurt, but lots of people were highly scared.

A Boston despatch says: The Tremens land act, the validity of which was questioned, was declared to be constitutional by the supreme judicial court Wednesday in a case of Wm. B. Tyler vs. the judges of the court of registration, and the plaintiff's petition to prevent proceedings under it, was denied. The court was divided on the question, however. Chief Justice Holmes wrote the majority opinion, and there was a dissenting opinion concurred in by Judges Loring and Thompson.

The last coach of a mixed train of the Pontiac, Oxford and Northern railroad carrying 20 passengers ran the track nine miles north of Pontiac, Mich. Tuesday night and was overturned, Miss Ella Ohmer, of Detroit, was internally injured, but is expected to recover. Mrs. Sheridan, of Cass City, and Harry Smith, of Pontiac, also received severe injuries. The accident was caused by a broken rail.

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Third Pullen Symphony,

At City Hall, Friday, January 5th, at 7.45.

DR. O. E. WAGGATT, Soloist.

Reserved Seats at City Hall Office Wednesday, Jan. 3, 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c.